

GOODING COUNTY FARMERS

A statement from the Gooding County Agricultural Conservation Association

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A.A.A. at Work in Gooding County...

Gooding County farmers have adopted the A.A.A. Farm Program enthusiastically during the past year. They have found that its features are fitted to farming conditions within the county. Farm benefit payments have added substantially to farm income.

More than 90 percent of Gooding County farmers have signed up to participate in the Farm Program during the current year.

Gooding County farmers are working to improve the fertility of their soil and to control erosion by adopting the soil-conserving and soil-building practices which are a part of the Program. By participating in the various phases of the program, such as Wheat Loans, Acreage Adjustment and the Sugar Beet program, they have helped to stabilize the prices of farm commodities.

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An example of successful operation of the Farm Program has been reflected in the relationship of U. S. prices and world prices for wheat during recent months.

Because of the Wheat Loan program for last year, and the aid of the U.S. Government in exporting 88,200,000 bushels of American wheat, Chicago wheat prices have steadfastly remained 15 to 20 cents higher than Liverpool prices, instead of the traditional level of 15 to 20 cents lower.

The benefits of the A.A.A. Program to wheat growers--wheat allotment payments, parity payments, erop loans and erop insurance--have assured American farmers an income from all the wheat they have to sell under national acreage allotment level.

The Farm Program is having a healthy effect on the American wheat market.

Your Gooding County Agricultural Conservation Committee....

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Here's How.

Here are some of the ways the A.A.A. Farm Program is fitting into Gooding County's farm picture -- adding materially to the agricultural resources, stabilizing farm income:

CROP LOANS: The 1938 wheat loan program in Gooding County involved 3,848 bushels of grain, on which producers were loaned a total of \$1,839.66. Because many more farmers have had opportunity to learn of the features of the loan program, and have had more time in which to prepare storage this year, more loans are expected to be made.

At present, Gooding County farmers are preparing granaries for farm storage of loan wheat. Their bins must be weather—and vermin-proof and protected from unlawful entry to qualify as storage places for wheat on which the Commodity Credit Corporation will advance 48.6 cents per bushel. Handling charges of 1 cent per bushel will be deducted. When the loans are liquidated next Spring, producers will receive 7 cents per bushel as a payment for storing the wheat if it is accepted by Commodity Credit Corporation as repayment of the loan.



"PARITY" PAYMENTS: Gooding County farmers made a good showing in qualifying for wheat payments designed by Congress to lift the income from wheat closer to the general level of prices paid by farmers for goods they bought during the year.

The 761 farmers who earned "parity" payments by planting within their 1939 acreage allotments will receive \$42,588 at the rate of 11 cents per bushel of the normal yield of their allotted acreage. Sixty- one additional wheat producers, if they had complied with acreage allotments, would have received \$1,934 in payments.

SUGAR BEET PROGRAM: In 1938, 1,801 acres of land in Gooding County produced 24,729 tons per acre. They brought \$46,132 to the county in benefit payments.

This year 1,819 acres were contracted, and at the present time, 1,728 acres are planted to sugar beets, with some of the contracted acres abandoned, and some not planted.

BENEFIT PAYMENTS: The county agricultural conservation committee estimates that in addition to wheat price-adjustment payments and sugar beet payments, \$107,510 can be earned under the A.A.A.

Farm Program in Gooding County in 1939. The total would include \$45,522 for wheat acreage adjustment; \$18,801 for potato acreage adjustment; and \$43,187 for conservation practices. It is expected that approximately 90 percent, or a little less than \$100-000 will actually be paid to Gooding County farmers.



